



Senior Steve Spicklemire rehearses his part "Come Over to Our House" to be presented by the senior class tomorrow night at 8 p.m. (Photo by Jay Tobias.)

# Sports banquet honors athletes

The 1978 Fall Sports Banquet was held Tuesday night honoring athletes from football, cross country, tennis, volleyball, golf, and swimming.

After the traditional pitch-in dinner, the Howe athletes and their parents gathered in the auditorium to listen to guest speaker Tommy Mont, DePauw University head football coach.

The 400 Club then handed out awards for the most valuable player in each respective sport. The Kiwanis Club of Irvington awarded the best mental attitude in the men's

sports, while Tri Kappa awarded it in the women sports.

The major award winners were as follows:

## Football

Most Valuable Player—Jessee Finch  
Best Mental Attitude—Mark Fagan

## Men Cross Country

Most Valuable Runner—Jeff Oberlies  
Best Mental Attitude—Jeff Oberlies  
Outstanding Sophomore—Curtis Childs

## Men Tennis

Most Valuable Player—Rick Gunderman  
Best Mental Attitude—Rich Hicks

Most Improved Player—Bruce Harter  
Mark Thomas Memorial—Rich Gunderman

## Women Cross Country

Most Valuable Runner—Fay Caldwell  
Best Mental Attitude—Lisa Pruitt  
Most Consistent—Sherry Curry

## Women Swimming

Most Valuable Player—Hayley Sams

Best Mental Attitude—Cherly Horsley  
Most Improved—Allanna O'Connor

## Women Volleyball

Most Valuable Player—Debbie Johns  
Best Mental Attitude—Kay Williams  
Most Improved—Carla McNelly

## Women Golf

Most Valuable Player—Wendy Montgomery  
Best Mental Attitude—Kay Williams  
Most Improved—Brenda Phillips

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## Nats. win mock election

# Candidates experience politics

By Kim Friedly

The Nationlists were victorious in the Mock Election Nov. 7.

The results of the election, one of the closest ever, are: **governor**, Fed Matthew Welch, 344, Nat Laura Taylor, 338; **lt. governor**, Nat Steve Spicklemire, 347, Fed Steve Day, 339; **secretary of state**, Nat Lora Walters, 360, Fed Brad Gildea, 326; **treasurer**, Nat Carolyn Hughett, 363, Fed Mark Holm, 325; **auditor**, Nat Jean Lenahan, 365, Fed Donna Kemp, 315; **attorney general**, Nat Dean Hvidston, 368, Fed Betty Hemphling, 315; **superintendent of public instruction**, Nat Jean Hilton, 353, Fed Kim Frech, 332; **senators** (2), Fed Jeff Oberlies, 348, Nat Julie O'Haver, 348, Fed Rick Gunderman, 347, Nat Ann Hudson, 347; **reporter of the courts**, Fed Rhonda Hooks, 348, Nat Joyce Bartley, 333; **clerk of the courts**, Fed Sherri Wood, 352, Nat Sandra Mackey, 326.

The Mock Election has been a part of the junior/senior, U.S. History, Government, Economics curriculum since 1940.

Social Studies Department Chairman Hartwell Kayler, who has been at Howe since

the first election, said, "The idea in the beginning was to teach students the functional aspects of the election. You have to experience the exhilarating feeling of victory and the humbling aspect of defeat."

However, adds Kayler, "Everyone wins because the students get educated in the political process."

Juniors and seniors are assigned a political party in their respective social studies class. They are encouraged to participate in the party's activities, even though only seniors are allowed to run for office.

Activities include serving on the rules, platform, or credentials committees, and being a voting convention delegate from one of the cities. Each government, economics, and U.S. History class period is a different city.

The Federalist and Nationalist Party State Conventions were held Nov. 1. State Party Chairmen Tim McPherson (Nats) and Don Kleppe (Feds) conducted their respective party's election for the candidates to run in the Nov. 7 election.

The candidates campaigned in all the U.S. His-

tory, Government, and Economics classes Nov. 6 and displayed their posters throughout the school.

"I am always amazed at the ingenuity, creativity, and organization of the high school student," said Kayler.

The platform of the winning Nationalist Party includes many items concerning international, national, and Indiana state affairs. The items concerning local and the state of Howe affairs are:

- We:—Advocate the construction of a swimming pool and tennis courts and the installation of an all-weather track.
- Advocate the refurbishment of the football field, baseball field, and the south gym.
- Support the construction of a foot bridge over the railroad tracks directly south of the school building.
- Urge the installation of an industrial traffic signal at the intersection of Emerson and Julian.
- Urge the holding of more pep sessions.
- Advocate the design-

nation of part of the cafeteria for use of juniors and seniors only.

- Urge the designation of a smoking area for students and stricter penalties for those who smoke in restrooms.
- Advocate restoring of Violet Hill to its former beauty.
- Advocate the increasing number of sock hops to raise funds for the junior and senior proms.
- Advocate the establishment of an upper class student lounge for those with honor passes.
- Advocate the establishment of a student-faculty court to review and advise administrative decisions on student discipline.
- Advocate ending Senior Guidance and Orientation and replacing it with Homeroom.
- Urge the consideration of the above points to the student council and the administration.

## Briefs

**Pops . . .** The Music Department, under the direction of Tom Lewis, will present its annual "Pops Concert" tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Howe cafeteria.

Tickets are \$1.25 and can be purchased at the door.

**Frosh Reps . . .** The freshmen Student Council elections held Nov. 2 resulted in a tie.

The elected representatives are Curtis Covington, Jeff King, Jenny McAtee, Brenda McNally, Michelle Moore, John Fagan, Robin Wright, Ann Haboush, Celeste Boulais, Jeff Johnson, and Amy Stewart. The volunteer representatives are Becky Rebholz, Laura Day, Tom Berg, and Donald Winslow.

**Hobby Show . . .** Volunteers from Howe French classes entertained at the Exposition Center Hobby Show Thursday, Nov. 9.

The 30 minute show consisted of French songs and a short skit.



# Student smoking lounge: a feasible solution

Cigarette smoking in restrooms or on campus should not be tolerated! This habit creates a very uncomfortable atmosphere for the non-smokers of Howe.

If the smokers wish to carry on this nauseating habit in or on school campus, certain measures should be taken to insure non-smokers the right to breathe "clean" air. The school board's policy states, "A student may be suspended from school attendance by the principal ... (for) smoking on school property."

If someone had a bad habit of throwing food, most certainly disciplinary actions would be taken against this person to make him or her quit. If this habit of throwing food, which poses no terrific danger, would be stopped, then smoking should be too.

Why isn't the school board regulation enforced at Howe? Is it possible to suspend all those smoking on school property?

If the administration was to take very strong action against the smokers, such as suspending anyone who was caught smoking, a large percentage of the student body would be suspended at one time or another.

If the regulation is not enforceable in reasonable terms, the only feasible solution to this problem is to have a student smoking lounge. Having a student lounge would also help alleviate the problem of students "hanging around" outside the building between classes. Another good reason for a student lounge is "fresher" restrooms for those who *do not* wish to smoke.

For all of the above reasons, having a student smoking lounge is a good idea to be considered by the school board.



## Band editorial entices criticism

Dear Editor:

We, the parents, are concerned about the article in the last issue of your paper concerning the color of the new Howe Band uniforms.

A committee of parents, teachers and students tried to secure brown and gold uniforms. It was an impossibility to get those colors. All of the companies contacted said the brown dye would become faded in about two years. To pay \$24,000 for uniforms to last two years would be ridiculous, and to put good money in uniforms they should be the best material, therefore they decided upon the blue and gold.

Yes, these colors are Cathedral's colors, but the black and gold they wore previously were not school colors either. And the hats were secured from Washington High School's old uniforms.

It is not the color of the uniform that makes a good band. It is the student participation, the learning of the music, and the formation marching. Uniforms make the band more presentable.

The candle sale last year did not go toward the uniforms. A certain percentage of the sale was used to help defray the cost of Band Camp. This year the proceeds will be used to pay the expense of the Austria trip.

Why don't you students cheer the band in their competition against other Bands? Why does the color of uniforms make a difference? WHERE IS THE STUDENT BODY'S SCHOOL SPIRIT?

Sincerely,

Gerald W. Elmore

*And again...*

Dear Editor:

I feel there are too many undeserved complaints about the new band uniforms' colors. First of all, I never heard any complaints about the old black uniforms. Brown, even though it is a school color, is basically dull, hard to match, and even hard to find in band uniforms (Most uniform companies don't even carry brown as a standard color). While school colors should be a primary consideration one must also

consider their appearance when choosing a band uniform. Many say "Well why didn't you get black, it's a lot closer to brown than blue." It's still not brown, and I would much rather have our new flashy blue than the old black.

Nevertheless, the uniforms are here and they look good. They also must be paid for. Band members are trying very hard to make money in order to pay for them. I feel the student body should support the band, even though the Tower feels the new uniform drive should not be supported on the grounds "they are blue and gold." What do you want, the band uniforms to be sent back?

Andy Wilkinson

## Football team's dedication inspires Coach Stewart

Dear Editor:

Rafael Fuentes, exchange student from Columbia, South America and place-kicker on this year's football team, said it best, "In my country, if we lost three straight soccer games, the team just quit trying. You guys, my American football teammates, have taught me the value of never giving up. Always trying seems to be the American way."

This year's football team certainly does exemplify the "American Way" as Rafael explains it. What a pleasure to go to practice and have confidence that everyone will be there, on time, trying his best to improve in his individual skills. To have players ask for more practice time, for one more play before the end of practice is a luxury many coaches do not have. One day they even asked for more wind sprints!

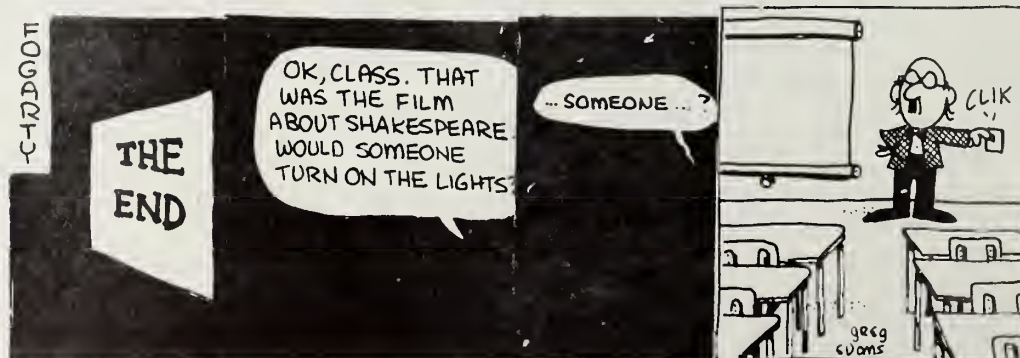
A great American football coach, Vince Lombardi, said, "Winning isn't everything; but being prepared to win is everything." This year's football team is a winner in the truest sense of the word.

Howe fans deserve a spe-

cial mention. There were times when we were really getting our tails kicked by our opponents, and our fans still cheered, formed tunnels for the team to run through, and in one particular game, they even sang the Howe loyalty song at an especially low point.

So to you loyal football fans, thanks. To the football team, I hope the rewards and benefits you received from participating this year are not measured by the number of games we won. It is my hope that you have gained perseverance, dedication to a cause, and determination because of your experience and participation in football this year.

Coach Dave Stewart



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# Experts foresee 'big time'; Stutz seeks improvement

By Ken Kirkman

Even though most basketball specialists are expecting Howe team to be in the "big time" this season, Coach Jim Stutz is a little more reserved.

According to Stutz, he does not have a "lead-pipe cinch team." However, he said, "I'm optimistic about this year's team. They have a lot to learn, but will improve as the season goes on."

He added, "I'm hoping this will be one of the better teams I've coached. I'm very pleased with the team as of now." The coach also said the team has high goals and are very cooperative.

With six returning lettermen, he expects a more ex-

perienced ball club with more outside shooting, adequate size, and "great" mental toughness.

Stutz stressed the ball bouncers will face a good ball club every game. Some of the toughest games will be against Washington, with three three-year starters, Broad Ripple, Arsenal Tech, and Southbend Adams, which is rated fourth in the state.

Members of the varsity basketball team are returning lettermen, Jim Brown, Charles Coleman, Brian Edwards, Phillip McKay, Rick McKinstry, and Virgil Gavin.

Other team members are John Kelly, Don Kleppe, Bob

Phillips, Ron Wills, Eric Byrd, Mike McCarty, and David Taylor.

Rick McKinstry, who averaged 22.8 points last season, and Brian Edwards, who averaged 13.7, broke individual season records last season. McKinstry scored 435 points. He broke the record of 379 points set by Jimmie Fair during the 1975-76 season. Edwards captured the most rebounds, 225, for a junior. Brent Anderson previously held the record with 217.

Stutz is looking forward to a good season. He hopes the team has the same faculty and student body support as last year because Stutz considers it a main factor.



Tim Baufman (top) and John McGinley work out for the first wrestling meet of the season here Nov. 28 at 6:30 p.m. (Photo by Jay Tobias)

## Lack of pool obstacle for men swimmers

By Diana Hartley

The outcome of the men swimming season may very well be affected by having to practicing at Arsenal Tech High School.

"It is inconvenient and hurts our team," stated Coach Randy Wemple. The team's use of Tech's pool is limited and transportation is also a problem, he added.

Wemple feels the toughest opponents will be larger schools who have their own pools. "I think we'll win about half our meets," he said.

The team practices at Tech

on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. On Mondays and Wednesdays Tech conducts swimming classes and the team lifts weights at Howe.

Returning lettermen are co-captains Dean Hvidston and Leo Allison, Jim Doninger, Tony Openbrier, and Gilbert Pritt.

Other members are Bradly Evans, Robert Smith, Fred Reed, Mike Ohrberg, Mike Petry, Dave Hayes, Lance Allison, Doug Hvidston, Mark Scroggins, Kevin Shadden, and Scott Stabler.

## Mitchell expects best season

By Mindy Bemis

The women's basketball team will be "fabulous," said Coach Robert Mitchell. "This season should be the most successful Howe has ever had."

"We should be very good this year. We're small, quick and experienced," said Mitchell. The girls work well together, he added.

"We're one of the better teams in the city but being small we have to play well all the time. If we were big, losing one or two games wouldn't matter so much," said Mitchell, "but we have good shooters, quickness and a good offense." However, he said the team needs improvement in defense.


Mitchell would like to see more people at the games. He feels the girls have a

good time and it shows. He said people have more fun at the girls' games because the players are not under as much pressure. He feels there is a lot more enthusiasm at the girls' games.

Returning letter women are seniors Kebra Dixon, Linda Butler, Doreen McGuire, and Debbie Johns; juniors Gustavia Helm, Robin Nicewanger and Sheila Robertson. Other members

of the varsity team are junior Rita Scott, and sophomores Maresa Furgeson and Mary Lumsey.

Members of junior varsity are sophomores Geowanda Britton, Angela Montgomery, Rhonda Thomas, Idella Williams, and Sheery Curry; freshmen Johnna Harvey, DeDe Pulley, Angie Lee, Pam Byrd, Cordella Morman, Becky Reed, and Paula Ellis.

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# Big bucks: name of the college game

Money with a capital M. That is what it takes to get into college, and here are some ways to get some. As an example, the Tower looked at financial aid programs at Indiana University (IU).

## Scholarships

In the Indiana University pamphlet **Scholarship Programs**, four academic scholarships are listed. **Distinguished Scholarships**, are dispersed very selectively. This four-year scholarship is awarded to only 60 freshmen annually. In order to be considered, the applicant must:

- Submit a financial aid

application by Feb. 15.

- Rank in the upper tenth of his class.
- Score 1300 of higher composite on the SAT.
- Be a full-time student.
- Have participated in extra-curricular activity.
- Have some work experience.
- Have given service to the community.

If an applicant qualifies, he may be chosen for an interview by the scholarship committee.

The scholarship, its amount based on financial need, may be renewed each year. An honorarium of \$600

is available for students who demonstrate no financial need.

The second type of scholarship listed is the **University Scholarship**. Entering freshmen who rank in the top ten percent of their class and achieve scores of 1100 or higher on the SAT are eligible for the financial aid. If no financial need is demonstrated, \$100 may be awarded.

**Resident Scholarships** are provided for students who show high academic achievement and financial need. Resident scholars must live in dorms and spend

one hour per week doing chores. In turn, they receive \$450 deducted from room and board charges.

Susan Pugh, associate director of financial aid at IU, said two scholarships are offered on a state and nationwide basis.

The **Hoosier Scholarships** are awarded to eligible students from Indiana for an amount not exceeding the fees at the college of the student's choice.

Ms. Pugh said the **Merit Scholarship** is one of the most popular. It is worth \$150 per year for students who have achieved a 3.5

grade average in high school and maintains a 3.3 average throughout college.

Both scholarships require special application forms available in your counselor's office.

It is unfortunate many students lose out on financial aid because they apply too late. Be sure to send in all financial aid forms by Feb. 15, unless otherwise specified on the form. Even if you do not think you qualify, it does not hurt to try.

"A lot of students who are eligible for financial aid never bother to apply for it," said Ms. Pugh.



## Student's favorite

Jody Hancock teaches her advanced French class. Her enthusiasm and spirit make her a favorite among the students. (Photo by Terri Engle)

# Federalists stew in the broth

By Karen "Z" Stewart

The state of Howe can now rest easier since the scandal behind the mock election has been uncovered. Yes, here is the amazing but true story of how the Federalist party almost turned a seemingly innocent mock election into a plot to take over the state of Howe.

The plot was hatched by the devious Federalist party chairman, who stole his ideas from old FBI re-runs. His plan was to rig the election so his party would sweep the offices, silencing all opposition. Once all offices were in their hands, the Feds could re-instate such abominable laws such as dress code, and saluting teachers.

Just how were the Feds going to carry out such a plot, in this freedom loving state, you ask?

Just one example of Federalist tampering was the place of small squirrels inside the voting machine. Incredible as it may seem, these misguided creatures were led to believe if they helped the Feds, they would receive a key to the faculty smoking lounge, so they wouldn't have to keep hiding in the bathrooms to smoke.

As a safeguard, the Feds kidnapped Ron Finkbinder one day and borrowed a gorilla from the Indianapolis Zoo to pose as his wife. Finkbinder's classes were told by the imposter that she was substitut-

ing for "her husband" and that Finkbinder had left instructions for the entire class to vote Fed.

Now the authorities began to move in.

In a display of bravery and heroism seldom seen in our times, Bob Taylor, security guard, defeated the squad of killer squirrels in the voting machine in a claw to claw combat.

In the full investigation that ensued, seven of the Fed party leaders were arrested and forced to sit waist high in beef broth for the remainder of the election.

Let us learn a lesson from this attempt to destroy the democratic way. The only good Fed, is a dead Fed.

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